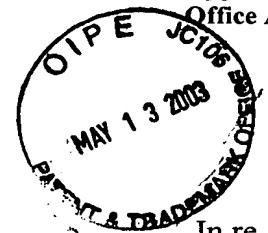


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In response to the Official Action dated **November 14, 2002**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below. A petition for an extension of time is enclosed herewith to extend the time period for the response to the Office Action for three months or until May 14, 2003.

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 18 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page _____ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 27 of this paper.